GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
LABOUR
LOK SABHA

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ESI SCHEMES
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Will the Minister of LABOUR be pleased to state:

(a) the contribution of ESI corporation often falls short of their due share,year after year in the ESI Schemes being operated in the State of Maharashtra;

(b) if so, the details of prescribed share of contribution between the ESI Corporation and the State Government; and

(c) the expenditure incurred by the Government of Maharashtra in respect of ESI-Schemes as on December 31, 1999 over andabove the State`s due share?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE FOR LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT (SHRI MUNI LALL)

(a) to (c): Expenditure on medical care under the ESI Scheme is shared between the ESIC and the State Governments in the ration of 7:1 subject to a ceiling prescribed by the ESIC in this regard.As per the agreement between the ESIC and the State Governmentand because of health being a State subject, any expenditure in excess of the ceiling is required to be borne by the State Government. Based on the audit report, the entire contribution of the ESIC as admissible under the ESI Scheme has been released to the Government of Maharashtra for the years up to 1995-96.The Corporation has also made `onaccount` advance payment of Rs. 35.60 crore for 1996-97, Rs.44.90 crore for 1997-98, Rs. 54.37 crore for 1998-99 and Rs. 63.98 crore for 1999-2000 to the Government of Maharashtra. The balance payment if admissible under the Scheme will be made as and when the audit certificates are received from the Government of Maharashtra. According to available information, during 1995-96, an expenditure of Rs. 6.34 Crore was incurred by the Government of Maharashtra under the agreement over and above 1/8th of the expenditure.